

January 27, 1919.

Memorandum to Mr. Christoffers:

There are forwarded to you herewith 14 reports of fishery operations in Alaska which are unsatisfactory for the reason that necessary information has been omitted in many instances, while in others the data given was so misleading as to be useless for our purposes. The names of the companies, all of which have offices in Seattle, with comments on their reports are listed below:

Alaska Herring & Sardine Co. 2702 Smith Bldg.,

Net tonnage of all and value of five registered vessels not given. What is the total length of two beach seines, 7 purse seines, and 3 gill nets?

Anacortes Fisheries Co. 1912 Smith Bldg.,
Kasaan Cannery

Value of launch "PILOT" not given. If the PILOT is unregistered, it should be included with such vessels in the proper column. All values of unregistered boats and other craft omitted.

Shakan Cannery.

Net tonnage of WINIFRED D omitted. Value of WINIFRED D, PRINCESS, HYDRA, and SUN omitted.

Annette Island Packing Co. 2020 Smith Bldg.

Total length of 8 purse seines 17,000 fathoms, or more than 2 miles each. Verification these figures desired.

Booth Fisheries Co. 1912 Smith Bldg.

Rig of all net tonnage of 6, and value of all registered vessels omitted. Report not sworn to.

Deep Sea Salmon Co. 3302 Smith Bldg.
Cape Edwards Cannery

Confirmation of fact that no registered vessels were used in connection with this cannery. Verification of statement that total length of 13 purse seines was 160 fathoms.

Port Althorp Cannery.

Verification of statement that total length of 10 purse seines was 175 fathoms.

Northwestern Fisheries Co. 1912 Smith Bldg.

Hunters Bay Cannery.

No name on report. Report not sworn to.

Roe Point Cannery.

Net tonnage and value cannery tender SHAMROCK omitted. What do the pencil notations on page 3 signify. Report not sworn to.

Santa Ana Cannery.

Value of all registered vessels omitted. Total length of 6 beach and 6 purse seines needs explanation. Report not sworn to.

Pybus Bay Fish & Packing Co. 1220 Smith Bldg.

Amount paid fishermen for fish should have been stated as in lieu of wages. Net tonnage FLORA & MARGARET omitted. Total length of 11 purse seines and 4 gill nets needs explanation. Value of 689 barrels pickled chums and 310 *barrels* pickled humpbacks is required.

J. L. Smiley & Co. 2702 Smith Bldg.

Segregate value of 7 row boats and skiffs, 5 lighters and scows, and 1 house boat. Report value of pack by species.

Carlisle Packing Co. Smith Bldg.

Port Ashton Plant.

Report should have been made on new forms. Cost of operations omitted. By which method were herring cured? Is the total length of 10 gill nets correctly stated.

Andreafsky Cannery.

Net tonnage of registered vessels omitted. Value of ALTHEA omitted.

Please take these reports to the several companies and have the necessary corrections and additions made without losing possession of them, for if they are turned over to the companies it may be some time before we get them again. By going to them in person, you will be able

to give them explicit instructions in the preparations of the reports. It is surprising that the Northwestern Fisheries Co. should send in so many faulty reports. None was acknowledged, but such as are otherwise perfect will not be returned.

Please expedite the return of these reports as much as possible.

W. D. Bower.